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❖From Ye Ole Editor's Desk❖

I trust everyone is staying warm and enjoying the holidays! For me it is a very busy time of the year.

As with any change some "bugs" are inevitable. We are working diligently to get them resolved, but it may take some months to get everything ironed-out. We need your help!

- Expiration dates did not get printed on the last issue, but the printer is working to resolve the matter.
- Very Important: when sending in your dues renewal, please send to Garrett Salyers, only, to insure that it is timely recorded.
- When sending in your book orders, please send to Fennie Thacker, only.

Note that the Membership Roster is included in this issue! Let me know if you see something that needs corrected and will get it fixed right away. We will try to publish updated rosters every year or two. Give me your thoughts!

Make plans to attend the Beckley show this Spring! We are fleshing out plans to have a dinner on Friday. More on that later . . .keep me posted! **Kevin**

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From the President's Desk

During the weekend of October 14/15, NSCA members gathered in Williamsburg , Kentucky for our Fall Meeting, and two of our members brought their brides along ,and with a full moon above, after all of the trading was done with on Saturday, slipped off for a second honeymoon at nearby Cumberland Falls State Park(one of two places in the world where one can view a "moonbow" on a clear night with a full moon) to celebrate their wedding anniversaries at the resort where they had celebrated their honeymoons many years earlier. Congratulations again to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perry, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wohlgemuth!!! Sissy and I weren't able to go with them, but fifty years ago last summer we too had honeymooned at Cumberland Falls.

Frank Sutton was our host and welcomed us to Williamsburg, and all in attendance had a good time. A number of local collectors were signed up as new NSCA members. Both our swap meet and our dinner were held in the Whitley County Convention Center, and a friend of Frank's did an excellent job catering a great meal for our banquet. Thanks for your hard work Frank!

Following our dinner, Patsy and Fennie Thacker, as well as Garrett Salyers were awarded beautiful plaques as recipients of the NSCA's "Outstanding Service Award" , selected by our Awards Committee, the Thackers (whom I believe have attended every NSCA meeting since joining back in about 1974!)for the awesome job they do in marketing the NSCA's books nationwide, and Garrett for "just being Garrett", i.e., doing everything conceivable within his power to keep the NSCA afloat, but particularly, his efforts in producing the Fourth Edition of Edkins' Catalogue, Volume I, last year.

Next April 21-22, 2017, we will return to Beckley, West [by God] Virginia for our Spring Meeting, with Kevin Andersen and Doug Tolley again serving as our hosts there in Raleigh County. Last year these two fellas pulled off the most well-attended NSCA meeting in years, and I'll bet a Mary Helen \$20 piece that they do it again! See you in Beckley! **Steve**

H. Ayersman 1920-1930
Good for in Merchandise
Howesville, WV 1359 [Preston]
 By Billy Campbell

Not listed in Dodrill. Edkins lists as company store for Kingwood Coal Co., also the name is spelled wrong in Edkins (spelled right above) as I have a Howesville 1359 B50 token. The website for West Virginia Miners Health Safety and Training has Kingwood Coal Co. with two mines. Howesville mine from 1901 to 1920 and Kingwood mine from 1911 to 1912.

In my March, 1919 issue of Bradstreet, Herman Ayers is listed as a restaurant. David E. Schenkman wrote "Herman Ayerman [or Ayersmann as the name is spelled in directories] operated a restaurant during the late teens and early 1920's". Kingwood Coal Co. is listed in the Bradstreet directories in that time frame. Upon checking "sample tokens" in Stuart E. Brown's book entitled "SCRIP" on page 227, the C. H. Hanson Company has what I would call sample pieces with H. Ayersman, Howesville, W.VA. listed as samples in scalloped tokens, but Hanson also made Hexagon tokens. Would Hanson use his clients name in their sample catalogue?

Bigger question, is the Ayersman token listed in Edkins a coal scrip or sample? Tennessee collectors should search for an answer for pioneer 2238 C100 as Hanson also has that token listed in their metal trade checks catalogue in the book "SCRIP" on page 225.

Have we been looking for a ghost?

Collectors' Areas of Interest and Wants

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SPRING SHOW
COUNTRY INN & SUITES
BECKLEY, WEST VIRGINIA
APRIL 21-22 2017



The NSCA Spring Show will be held in Beckley, West Virginia
on Friday and Saturday, April 21 & 22, 2017
in the Appalachian Room of the Country Inn & Suites

Country Inn & Suites by Carlson
2120 Harper Road, Beckley WV, 25801
304-252-5100

The meeting room is reserved from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm both days!

We have special room rates of \$91.00 and the price and rooms will be held until 2 weeks before the show. Be sure to tell them you are with the National Scrip Collector's Association! If you have any trouble making reservations, just advise them that Jerry Smith (manager) has made the arrangements.

Country Inn & Suites is easily accessible from Interstate 64/77 (WV Turnpike). Take Exit 44 (Harper Road) and follow Route 3 West to Country Inn on the right approximately 4 tenths of a mile (1 minute) from the Interstate.

Restaurants within a mile or less of the show location include:

Cracker Barrel	Ruby Tuesday	Bob Evans	Texas Steakhouse
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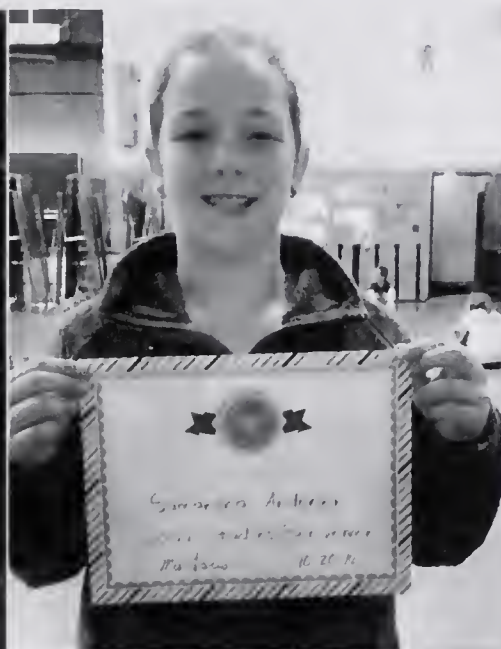
Samantha Andersen Wins Social Studies Competition at School Level

My daughter, Samantha, was announced the winner in the U.S. History category of the Social Studies Fair at Fayetteville Elementary School on October 21, 2016. Her project was "Coal Miner's Money. A Good Deal or A Bad Idea." She explored the two views often disputed as to whether scrip was good or bad for the miner and his family. Ultimately, she concluded that it had both good and bad qualities. One of the benefits, she found, was that the miner and his family could make purchases for their needs prior to pay day if they drew scrip. One of the drawbacks to scrip was that in most instances the miner and his family could only make purchases at the company store, or if another business would accept scrip, it was not at the full value.

Her display consisted of several picture postcards depicting Kaymoor, WV, a photograph of her great grandfather, Sedor Fedukovich when he worked at the Rock Lick Coal Co. in 1930, a set of scrip and a pay statement showing that the miner drew some scrip. When the judges asked her how she became interested in scrip, she replied "A friend of my dad's (Doug Tolley) gave me some tokens and that's how I got interested in it." She will move on to the next level of competition, slated for early 2017.



*Sedor Fedukovich
at Rock Lick, WV, 1930*



*I am very proud of you, Sam!
Love, daddy*

The Unauthorized Restrikes of 1976: *Continued*



Donald Clifford recently contacted me with an update to the unauthorized restrike article that appeared in the Volume 44, Issue 186 Scrip Talk. Don reports the depicted token, WV91X100 (MARGARETTE COAL CO. / 100 / MARFRANCE, W.VA. // (MMISC)).

Thanks Don!



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Lynwin Pocahontas Coal Co., Roderfield, WV., 2447, D50, \$101.50
Excelsior Pocahontas Coal Co., Excelsior, WV., 953, A25, \$47.50
Bridgeport Coal Co., Bridgeport, Texas, 377, B5b, \$82.00
Alberhill Merc., Alberhill, Ca., 36, A500b, \$65.00
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WEST VIRGINIA

MINE WARS

MUSEUM

At our last Bridge Day (that's the day that the New River Gorge Bridge, near Fayetteville WV) is opened-up to pedestrian traffic and there's all kinds of vendors and activities) I came across a vendor station that dealt with the West Virginia Mine Wars. Located at Matewan, WV, the WV Mine Wars museum has displays of artifacts and histories in this tumultuous period in West Virginia's labor history. The museum is open weekends from April through October, however, their website (<http://www.wvminewars.com/>) has a lot of great information available and I encourage you to check it out! You can even view and download their most recent copy of their journal "In These Hills". This issue (see right) covers topics such as "Night of the Bull Moose Special" and "Holly Grove Tent".



New Finds . . .

While on the subject of updates, let us know if you have any new finds to report! In the spirit of sharing such information we all gain a better understanding of our hobby.

Your can email your New Finds information to

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Bill Fugera [All States] at:
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Be sure to include as much information as you can and ideally a scan or photograph (preferably in color) of both sides of your token. Diameter, metal composition, complete obverse text and reverse die type, whether solid or pierced (and description of piercing). New finds will be reported in future issues of Scrip Talk and will be used to update future editions of the catalogues.

Your input is essential in this department!

IN THESE HILLS

THE WEST VIRGINIA MINE WARS MUSEUM JOURNAL



EMERALD TENT,
HOLLY GROVE TENT

NIGHT OF THE
BULL MOOSE SPECIAL

SUMMER 2016 - A THIRD VOLUME OF THE WEST VIRGINIA MINE WARS MUSEUM

by David E. Schenkman

**THE "BUSHEL" TOKENS
OF WILLIAM G. BARNARD**



William G. Barnard was one of Bellaire, Ohio's leading citizens of the nineteenth century, and certainly one of its most successful businessmen. Born in England, he migrated to this country with his family in 1819 while still a lad. His formal education came to a halt when he took a job managing a large farm in

Wheeling, West Virginia. After only three years he had saved enough money to purchase a part ownership in the farm.

Barnard relocated to Bellaire in 1850, where he acquired another farm. In 1866 he purchased a major partnership in a new enterprise which became known as the Bellaire Nail Works. The company, which he eventually served as president, was located on land owned by Barnard. Four years later he became involved in a coal business in Illinois, and also invested in railroads there. During all this time his home remained in Bellaire.

Coal was nothing new to Barnard in the 1870s. As early as 1832 he was operating a mine in St. Clairesville. This proved to be unsuccessful, and in 1848 he opened his first mine in Bellaire. He soon became the largest and most successful coal producer in the area. He also owned mines in Illinois, and the September 15, 1877 issue of *The Wheeling Daily Intelligencer* announced that "Mr. Wm. G. Barnard, one of our wealthiest citizens, left here Wednesday evening last on a business tour to the southern part of Illinois. Mr. Barnard is sole owner of the Chester & Tamaroa railroad; also of several large coal mines in that section of the state."

In the 1870s Bellaire was known as the "Glass City," and at least eight well-known glass manufacturers operated during that time. Not surprisingly, Barnard was involved in this thriving industry. He was a director of the Belmont Glass Company, which was incorporated in the late 1860s or early 1870s. This enterprise which, incidentally, issued tokens good for 40¢, prospered and by the early 1880s employed well over two hundred people. Barnard also served as president of the Wabash, Chester and Western Railroad Company.

In the late 1880s a good portion of Ohio's glass industry moved to Fostoria, in the northwestern part of the state, because of the discovery of natural gas in that area. Belmont Glass Company closed its doors in 1890. However, other glass companies sprang up in Bellaire, some of them operated by former Belmont employees.

In 1883 Barnard patented a device titled "Apparatus For Loading Coal." Three years later he filed another patent which was described as follows: "My present invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in an apparatus for loading coal and other coarse articles into steamers, barges, and other vessels from cars or storing-cribs, and is an improvement on Patent No. 285,952, issued to me October 2, 1883..."

Barnard issued two unusual tokens for use at his "coal works." Listed as Ohio MX1a and MX1b, they are both are brass, and 20mm. Not mentioned in the catalog is the fact that they have reeded edges. The tokens are identical except for the unusual values. It would be interesting to



know how they were used; 200 Bushels is a lot of coal!

In my opinion the R-10 ratings assigned the tokens are correct, but I would be interested in knowing how many examples are in collectors' hands. A set in uncirculated condition was sold as lot 1354 in the June, 1984 Bowers and Merena, Inc. sale of the "Coins from the Virgil Brand Collection," and I was able to acquire them. I haven't seen another MX1b, and only one other MX1a.

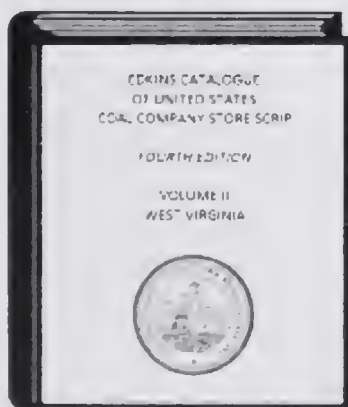
The big questions are, who struck the tokens and when were they used? They are almost certainly the work of one of major Cincinnati die sinkers. William K. Lanphear is a possibility, but more likely they emanated from James Murdock, Jr., William W. Spencer, or John Stanton. These men probably struck more Civil War tokens than all other makers combined. During the early 1860s the latter three individuals were in business together, and after the partnership dissolved, Murdock and Spencer formed a separate business but for a while continued to operate out of Stanton's shop. Die punches were often shared, so it isn't always possible to tell who struck what. In any event, judging by the die style, the tokens were probably struck during the 1860s or shortly thereafter, making them among the earliest coal tokens.

The August 9, 1892 issue of *The Wheeling Daily Intelligencer* reported Barnard's demise as follows: "William G. Barnard, one of Bellaire's oldest, wealthiest and most enterprising citizens, met with a cruel death yesterday. He was run over by a clay car at his brick works early in the morning, and his left leg was crushed to a jelly from the hip to the knee, and it had to amputated near the hip. He never rallied from the shock, dying about half past two in the afternoon." The funeral was the next day, and the mayor called for all businessmen to close their establishments as a sign of respect. Barnard left an estate valued at over \$200,000.

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Sutton Chemical Co.

Sutton, WV. 2729 [Braxton]

By Billy Campbell

In the August, 1993 issue of scrip talk James W. Thompson had an article on Sutton Chemical Co. entitled, "The Way It Was". Sutton Chemical Co., deep in the heart of the coal book, never mined a ton of coal. On April 27, 1920, the Sutton Chemical Co. started its plant up after (2) two years in the construction. It consisted of a retort builder (sic building), dryers, coolers, loading sheds, tube still houses, machine shop and settling pans. Also, boiler and pump houses, transfer shed, charcoal storage, acetate storage and office building. Also, warehouses, ensign house, sawmill plant and its own electric plant and all of the buildings were electrically lighted.

The plant was located on Elk River and had a natural supply of fresh water.

Braxton County having two major railroads, the P & WV and the C & C. they had adequate transportation.

The plant had a capacity of eighty cords of wood daily, which was made into charcoal.

The wood is obtained from a large tract of timberland owned by the company on Wolf Creek, to which a standard gauge railroad had been built.

All timber from the woods was cut on the company's sawmill. The waste was converted into chemicals. When in full operation the company employed (150) at the mill, also (200) to (400) in the woods.

i.e.- Thompson at this point has listed 4 sets of scrip A series, B series same as A except counter stamped with a Z. C series, which is the same as Edkins B and a D series which is C series counter stamped with a Z.



Shown here are two tokens, one without "Z" counterstamp (left) and one with the "Z" counterstamp (right)



Counter stamped Z sets are for woods contractors who did contract work for Sutton Chemical Co. and used their store. They also sawed ties and bridge timbers for the railroad in the area.

So this is one out for the coal and one in for the timber. That's the way it was April 27, 1920, at Sutton WV at the Sutton Chemical Co. Said James W. Thompson.

Listed in Terry N. Trantow's Catalogue of Lumber Company Store Tokens on pages 290-291 with a note. "Capacity 80 cords of wood for charcoal daily. company also made acetate, wood alcohol, and other chemicals from wood waste until 1920. Co. never mined coal".

After researching what I found was, Sutton Chemical Co. is listed in the West Virginia Office of Miners Health Safety and Training website as a coal company from 1921 to 1927 with a production of 166,903 tons. In the 1921 West Virginia Annual Report of the Department of Mines on pages 44, 84 & 355 Sutton Chemical Company is listed. Sutton Chemical is also listed in the 1927 report on page 18 item #74. In 1927 they operated Sutton No. 3 mine, Sutton only had 9 miners total in 1927 all of which were pick miners and a total of 14 working in the mine. John Sutton was mine foreman the early years. The 1921 & 1926 West Virginia Department of Mines information was supplied by Doug Tolley. On page 1140 of the 1920 Directory Of Mines Sutton Chemical had 30 employees with an output of 200 tons daily from Sutton No. 3 mine. Taking into consideration all of the above information Sutton Chemical Co. James Thompson is wrong on this one. It **Is coal**, maybe including the "Z" sets.

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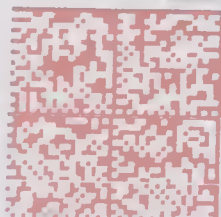
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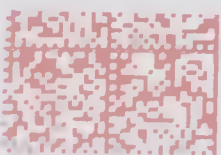
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